

12-15. (Amended) A method [as set forth in the preceding claim] of posting a test on-line for potential test-takers, said method comprising the steps of:
providing a host system and a plurality of remote terminals operatively coupled to the Internet;
placing a test in a restricted directory for potential test-takers;
requiring a test-taker to input a password to have access to the restricted directory;
wherein the restricted directory includes academic practice tests and wherein a school enrolls students at a set cost per school year.

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16. (Amended) A method [as set forth in claim 14] of posting a test on-line for potential test-takers, said method comprising the steps of:
providing a host system and a plurality of remote terminals operatively coupled to the Internet;
placing a test in a restricted directory for potential test-takers;
requiring a test-taker to input a password to have access to the restricted directory;
wherein the charge for the restricted directory is based on per time a test is taken.

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17. (Amended) A method [as set forth in claim 14] of posting a test on-line for potential test-takers, said method comprising the steps of:
providing a host system and a plurality of remote terminals operatively coupled to the Internet;
placing a test in a restricted directory for potential test-takers;
requiring a test-taker to input a password to have access to the restricted directory;
wherein the charge for the restricted directory is based on per time a user visits the directory.

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a first computer operatively coupled to the Internet, the first computer including software means for generating the test and software means for posting the test on the Internet; and

a second computer operatively coupled to the Internet, the second computer operative to allow a user to take the test and receive test results;

wherein a test-taker is required to pay to take the compiled test.

19. (Amended) A system for generating and posting an on-line test, comprising:

a host computer operatively coupled to a network backbone, the host computer including means for generating the test and means for posting the test;

a first computer operatively coupled to the host computer, the first computer being operative to generate questions for the test; and

a second computer operatively coupled to the host computer, the second computer operative to take the test

wherein a test-taker is required to pay to take the compiled test.

20. (Amended) A system for generating and posting an on-line test, comprising:

host means, coupled to a network backbone, for generating the test and for posting the test;

means, operatively coupled to the host means, for generating questions for the test; and

means, operatively coupled to the host means, for taking the test;

wherein a test-taker is required to pay to take the compiled test.

Please add the following claim 21:

¹⁶ 21. (Added) A method as set forth in claim 1 wherein the host system includes a procedure for opening an account for a test-taker.

Kindly cancel claims 11 and 14 without prejudice or disclaimer.